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NOTICE TO OUR READERS.

IT is now well nigh five years since the *Illustrated Sporting and Theatrical News* was first started, and we can confidently assert that never before did a new paper receive a more cordial welcome from the general public. The idea of illustrating Sporting and Theatrical events was a new one, and seemed at once to meet with general approval. The Press, which generally speaks slightly of novel newspaper projects, recorded the fact approvingly, congratulations poured in upon us from all quarters, and the unprecedented number of 200,000 copies were disposed of at the outset. Since that time we are glad to say the paper has continued to increase in the public favour, and now there are few with any taste for Sporting or Theatrical subjects that we cannot reckon amongst the list of our subscribers and readers. Complaints have, however, from time to time reached us that the *Illustrated Sporting News*, unlike the other leading Sporting and Theatrical journals, did not contain an

epitome of the General News of the Week.

The Proprietors therefore feel that the time has now arrived for extending the sphere of their journal by giving it more of the character of a GENERAL NEWSPAPER, both as regards the COMPILATION OF NEWS and the ILLUSTRATIONS.

With this object in view a large amount of money has been expended upon it, so as to make it complete in every department, and to render it acceptable to all classes of readers.

We beg therefore to announce that,

ON AND AFTER SATURDAY NEXT, THE 15th OF SEPTEMBER,

the *Illustrated Sporting and Theatrical News* will, in addition to recording and illustrating Sporting and Theatrical subjects, contain a complete digest of

THE GENERAL NEWS OF THE WEEK, including foreign and domestic intelligence, carefully selected and condensed.

THE ILLUSTRATIONS

Will not, as heretofore, be confined to Sporting and Theatrical subjects, but will embrace CURRENT EVENTS.

In order that this department may be satisfactorily carried out the services of a well-known and popular artist have been engaged; and none but the best and entirely

NEW AND ORIGINAL ENGRAVINGS

will be allowed to appear in our pages.

The literary staff of the Paper having been materially augmented, all Sporting and Theatrical events will be carefully recorded and commented upon, while, at the same time, A COMPLETE RESUME of the GENERAL NEWS OF THE WEEK will be added.

In conclusion, we can only say that should these alterations prove acceptable to our readers and to the public generally, no expense will be spared to give to the *Illustrated Sporting News* the character of a first-class SPORTING, THEATRICAL, and GENERAL NEWS-PAPER.

THE MOORS AND FORESTS.

The grouse shooting season is now approaching a close in Perthshire, for already a large number of sportsmen have left the moors. The sport as a whole has been far superior to what was anticipated before the season opened, and the only complaint seems to have been the small size of grouse; but on the moors where the sportsmen are to commence shooting in the beginning of next week, the birds, with the recent fine weather, have improved rapidly, and are now pretty large and in good condition. We learn that the reason why so many sportsmen have given up shooting is that in many instances proprietors of moors restrict their tenants to the killing of a certain number of grouse, in order that a sufficient number may be left for breeding. On Wednesday, Mr. Knowles Pearson and party wound up the season on the Amulree moors by bagging 18 brace of grouse and a number of hares. The sport enjoyed by the party has been fully equal to any former year. Sir Hugh Hume Campbell, Bart., was out for the first time this season on the Hill of Monzie on Thursday, and shot to his own gun 35 brace of grouse, which makes a total of 360 brace of grouse and 2 head of blackcock in nine days. Sir Hugh's shooting is among the best in Perthshire. On Thursday Mr. Dreper and party made good bags of grouse, and shot a large number of mountain hares at Glentworth. The sportsmen in the Comrie districts continue to secure daily large bags of grouse and other game. Deer-stalking has commenced by the sportsmen at Drummond Castle, and a goodly number of large stags, in excellent condition, have been killed. Partridge shooting commenced on Saturday, but with the exception of pasture and turnip fields little can be done for a few weeks till the fields of grain be cleared. The stock of partridges in all directions is large, and the birds have seldom been seen in better condition. In the preserves pheasants are abundant, and will afford good sport when the shooting opens. The forests have not yet proved very prolific, but it is understood that few sportsmen had attempted them until the beginning of this week, and the result of their shooting has not yet come to hand. Lord Alexander Fagel had an excellent day's shooting on the Marquis of Hastings's moors, Loudon Castle, commencing at twelve o'clock; he killed 50 brace of grouse, two hares, and one plover single-handed. The marquis and party also killed 43 brace on the 24th in half a day. The *Dunfermline Journal* gives the following:—"In Glenfiddich, though the birds had become very wild, the Duke of Richmond and party made for the most part heavy bags throughout the week. On the 20th the Duke of Richmond and Mr. Cox had 60 brace



DANIEL J. AVISS, OF COVENTRY, AMATEUR CHAMPION SWIMMER.

Lord Francis Gordon Lennox and Mr. Jubb, 23 brace; Lord Algermon, G. Lennox and Lord Bingham, 113 brace; and Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar and Col. Tyrwhitt, 108 brace. On the 21st the Duke of Richmond and Lord Francis G. Lennox had 50 brace; Lord Algermon G. Lennox and Lord Bingham, 107 brace; and Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar and Col. Tyrwhitt, 70 brace. On the 22nd the Duke of Richmond and Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar had 51 brace; Lord Algermon G. Lennox and Mr. Cox, 43 brace; and Lord Bingham and Col. Tyrwhitt, 71 brace. On the 23rd the Duke of Richmond and Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar had 37 brace; Lord Bingham and Col. Tyrwhitt, 11 brace; and Lord Francis G. Lennox and Mr. Cox, 25 brace. On the 24th the Duke of Richmond and Mr. Cox were only out for half an hour, and bagged 8 brace. On the 25th Lord Algermon G. Lennox and Col. Tyrwhitt had 40 brace, and Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar, 45 brace. Sir George Macpherson Grant, Bart., and party have also had good sport."

SCIENTIFIC JOTTINGS.—There is on a lake of the Bois de Boulogne a boat that moves about without either steam, oars, sail, or any other visible means of propulsion. The power employed is that of electricity, which, by an ingenious contrivance, communicates a rotary motion to a pair of paddle wheels. The experiment is curious enough, but unfortunately the principle cannot yet receive a practical application, because it would not pay. An electric pile consumes just as many kilogrammes of zinc per hour and per horse-power as a steam-engine consumes kilogrammes of coal, so that the electric system would be about 80 times dearer than steam.—The *Cosmos* relates a curious effect of lightning observed on the 27th of June last at Berghel, near Logelbach, Vosges, by M. Hirn. Two travellers had sought refuge under a linden tree from the storm which broke over Berghel on that day. The tree was struck with lightning, and the two travellers laid prostrate. It was at first thought they were dead, but by prompt and judicious assistance they were brought to their senses again, and it was found, on stripping off their clothes, that the lightning had imprinted a number of exact facsimiles of linden leaves on their backs and thighs. The fact is confirmed by the Mayo, M. Reber, M. Memorski, of Vienna, confirms M. Brucke's observations that diffused solar light, instead of being perfectly white, is tinged with red, just as the flames of gas or lamps are tinged with yellow. Diffused light received at noon through a cloudy sky deviates by 1-22d part of the chromatic circle from the extreme red of the spectrum towards the violet.—*Galignani*.

WEIGHTS FOR THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES.			
	age at lb	age at lb	
Ostrager	6	Comus	4
Sacharider	6	Duch Dukes	4
Regalia	4	Abergeldie	3
Broomelaw	4	Fleur des Bois	3
Sopstone	4	Convent	3
Bradablane	4	Frederic	3
Salisbury	4	Frederic	3
Out-and-Outer	4	Chapel Royal	3
Occrops	4	Potomac	3
Klarinsk	4	The Squire	3
Klion	4	Lord's Rhod	3
Macaster	4	Duke of York	3
Saladin	4	Hatfield	3
Godmerham	4	Miss Williams	3
Copenhagen	4	Orle	3
Brown Bread	4	Orle	3
Kent	4	Holstein	4
Rustic	3	Arabia	4
Fridly	3	Orlithness	4
Empress of India	3	Orlithness	4
Luzerne	4	Glenade	4
Lozeney	4	Zenobia	4
Harry Brailford	4	Scarborough	4
Star	4	Scheld	4
Mail Train	4	Quirina	4
Long	4	Quirina	4
Coup d'Etat	5	Sidewind	4
Gontran	5	Il Re Galantomo	4
Sundeeah	5	Lochiel	4
Gomera	3	Lord's Rhod	3
Turmenor	3	The Life Guardsmen	3
Kent	4	Jack in the Green	3
Anglo-Saxon	4	Miss Haworth	3
Gardevoise	4	Staber	3
Northwood	3	Staber	3
Macaster	3	Pluto	3
Salpinctes	4	Lightning	4
Ceylon	3	Castanet	3
Mr. Pitt	3	Advances	5
Montress	3	Advances	5
Vespasian	3	Miss Harriette	3
Florentin	3	Actea	3
Blue Ribband	3	Lucy Bohun	5
Rams	3	Countess	3
Archimedes	4	Guinevere	3
Historian	4	Vigorous	3
Anti-Macassar	4	Violent	3
The Sp	4	Lord's Rhod	4
Turmain	3	Wild Part	4
Lecturer	3	Elfetta	3
Peon	3	Fire-eater	3
Planet	3	Mineral	3
Red Earl	3	Orhelo	4
Excor	4	Lively	4
Brahms	4	Puebla	3
Verdant	4	Tomsahawk	3
Bradamante	4	Ambition	3
Billet Doux	4	Cranford	2
Nu	4	Alice Faunberg	5
Black Draught	4	Fady Sophie	3
Alfidav	4	Fady of Coverdale	4
Redan	4	Orhelo	3
Mount Palatine	3	Orhelo	3
Treasure Trove	3	Nonpareil	4
Robin Hood	3	The Celt	3
War	3	Chomomene	3
Valiant	3	Sister to Minio	3
Princess of Wales	3	John Halifax	3
Edinburgh	4	Bella	3
Auguste	4	Beggar	3
C Promised Land—Rather	3	G by Whimoon—Jetty	3
High	3	Treffo	3
Sport	3	Messmate	3
Elfinthe Flante	3	Cheptow	3
The Clow	3	Burns Prince	4
Lady Vane	3	King Tom, out of Maynon	3
Split the Difference	3	Severn	3
Disman	3	Mafina	3
Primate	3	Ille	3
Carouge	3	Charmette	3
Boscoe	3	Belmont	3
Leining	3	Loaf Sugar	3
Malthe	3	Duck	3
Claxton	3	Prince of Wales	3
Alcroft	3	The Duke	3
Terror	3	Lord Lyon	3
Paris	3	Gambler	3
	3	Acworth	3

Betting : 5 to 4 on Vespasian, 6 to 4 agst King Christian, 10 to 1 agst

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 Canarella. The favourite made all the running, and won in a gallop
 by thirty lengths; Canarella, after going a short distance pulled up.

LATEST BETTING ON THE COURSE.

St. Leger.

6 to 4 on Lord Lyon (1)	
4 to 1 agt Savona (1)	
10 to 1 — Rustie (od)	
100 to 8 — Strathcanon (off)	

CURRAGH SEPTEMBER MEETING.

TUESDAY.

THE SUREBRY STAKES of 5 sovs each, with 25 added; Anglesey Post.
 fr. Driscoll's b f Impatience, by Arillery—Testy, 3 yrs 1
 fr. Marquis of Conyngham's b c Dr. Synk, 3 yrs 3
 fr. Dr. F. Hardinge's br c Assa, 3 yrs 3

Eight ran.

THE KILDARE HANDICAP of 5 sovs each, with 50 added; Waterford
 Post.
 fr. Russian Bee, by Artillery or Russian—Queen Bee, 3 yrs, 7st 6lb..... 1
 fr. Owen Roe, 3 yrs, 7st 7lb 5lb..... 2
 fr. Fire-eater, 3 yrs, 7st 13lb 3

Six ran.

THE ANGLESEY STAKES of 10 sovs each, with 100 added, for two-yr-olds; Anglesey Post.
 fr. Conolly's b c by Colonel—Champion, 2 yrs, 8st 4lb 1
 fr. E. Weish's br c Red Wine, 8st 4lb 2
 fr. Dunne's b f The Winged Bee, 8st..... 3

Six ran.

THE MAJESTY'S PLATE of 100 guineas; three-yr-olds, 8st 7lb; four-yr-olds, 9st 7lb; five, 9st 9lb; six, 9st 9lb; 7 and 8, 9st 7lb..... 1
 fr. Plunkett's ch c Dunmurry, by Clarot—Rache, 4 yrs, 9st 7lb 2
 fr. C. M. Bond's b c Musketeer, 4 yrs, 9st 7lb 2
 fr. Crook's b c Solim, 3 yrs 8st 7lb 3

Four ran.

THE ARMAGH MEETING.

WEDNESDAY.

THE MAJESTY'S PLATE of 100gs; weight for age. Two miles and a
 half.
 fr. Plunkett's ch c Dunmurry, by Clarot—Rache, 4 yrs, 9st 7lb..... 1
 fr. Crook's b c Solim, 3 yrs, 8st 2
 fr. C. M. Bond's b c Musketeer, 4 yrs, 9st 3

Four ran.

THE NURSERY STAKES (handicap) of 5 sovs each, with 50 added for
 two year olds. Anglesea Post.
 fr. Quin's br f by Hospodar—Landy Betty 1
 fr. Cranbury and Dorsford agt 2
 fr. Captain D. W. Pack Beresford's ch c Ballighaderreen 3

Nine ran.

THE SEWARDS' PLATE of 50 sovs, added to a handicap of 4 sovs each,
 for three-yr-olds.
 fr. Dunne's ch c Russian Bee, by Artillery or Russian—Queen Bee, 3
 yrs 1
 fr. Crook's b c Fritz Stolz, 3 yrs 2
 fr. Dunne's b f Blitz Emily, 3 yrs 3

Four ran.

LEICESTER MEETING.

THURSDAY.

SCURRY HANDICAP.

fr. Butler's Besiege	Hibberd 1
fr. De la Co's Milla. Chopatra	Covey 2
agst. Christie's Prescription	J. Gimenez 3
fr. Cranbury and Dorsford agt	Min 2
agst. Bessie, 5 to 1 agst Prescription, 5 to 1 agst Milla, 3 to 1 agst 10 to 1 agst Dorsford. Won by three-quarters of a length.	

SEEFINGTON STAKES.

fr. Hartley's Gaiety	Pyne 1
fr. U. B. H. Hecolus	Min 2
fr. B. Buckley's West Lancashire	Britton 3
Betting: 2 to 1 on Roseleaf Won by a neck.	

SELLING HANDICAP.

fr. Captain Hamble's Elegance	Gannon 1
fr. T. O'Leary's Vealotte	Kayson 2
fr. Phillips' Backslid	Carver 3
Lady Margaret also ran. Betting: Even agst Elegance, and 6 to 4 agst Valentine. Won by a head.	

LIBRISTON HANDICAP.

fr. Padon's Chiron	Loakes 1
fr. Naylor's Wild Bird	Kayson 2
fr. Copeland's The Dannebrog	Murray 3
Lizard and Brimstone also ran. Betting: 5 to 2 agst Lizard, 7 to 4 agst Oberon and Wild Bird, and 4 to 1 agst Brimstone. Won easily.	

BETTING AT TATTERSALL'S.

MONDAY.

Although the Subscription-room was not very numerously attended
 today, speculation was brisk throughout the afternoon; and a fair

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tainance on the breaking up of the rooms. Strathcarron and Kestrel were almost equal favourites, the former being supported at 14 to 1 and the latter at 100 to 7. No betting upon the Derby came under our notice. The following are the quotations:—

LEAMINGTON STAKES.

5 to 1 agst	Mr. Graham's Regatta, 4 yrs, 8st 12lb (t & off)
6 to 1 —	Lord Payne's Pique, 4 yrs, 7st 10lb (off)
8 to 1 —	Lord Westons's Rains, 3 yrs, 7st 12lb (off)
GRAND YORKSHIRE HANDICAP.	
15 to 1 agst	Mr. J. Byrnes's War, 3 yrs, 7st, 7lb
15 to 1 —	Lord Poulett's Nu, 4 yrs, 6st 9lb (t)
20 to 1 —	Captain G. Day's Salpinctes, 4 yrs, 7st 8lb (t)

ST. LEVAN.

of 5 sovs each, with 50
ances: the winner to be so

100 to 5 — The Duke of Beaufort's Westick (t and off)
 50 to 7 — Mrs. Ewer's Knight of the Crescent (t)
 100 to 1 — Mr. J. Bower's Westick (t)
 000 to 40 — Lord Zealand's Podagrus
 500 to 20 — Lord Glasgow's Rapid Rhone's dam colt (t)
 100 to 15 — Lord Falkland's Houston (off)
 10 to 1 — John Scott's lot (off)
 100 to 30 — Lord Glasgow's lot (off)
 100 to 15 — Baron Kitchin's lot (off)
 700 to 100 — Rustic and Sir Strathmore coupled (t).
 60 to 40 — on Savernake, 1, 2, 3, (5)
 250 to 100 agst — Rustic, 1, 2, 3 (t)

LONDON BETTING—WEDNESDAY.
ST. LEGER.
 5 to 4 on Lord Lyon (off, t 6
 to 4)
 1 to 1 agst Savernake (off, t 5
 to 1)
 2 to 1 — Rustic (off)
 2 to 1 — Strathmore (off)
 2 to 1 — Knight of Crescent
 (off, 25 to 1 w)

Even agst Savernake for a
 place (w)
 5 to 2 — Rustic for a place
 (t 450)
 3 to 1 — Knight of Crescent
 for a place (off,
 4 to 1 w)

CESARWITCH.
 1000 to 15 agst Rama, (t)
 1000 to 15 — Thalia (t)
 40 to 1 agst Chesel Royal (t)

CAMBRIDGEHIRE.

AQUATICS.

HIGH WATER AT LONDON BRIDGE.

MORNING.		AFTERNOON.	
SATURDAY, Sept. 8.	18 min past 1	43 min past 1	2
SUNDAY	3 min past 2	23 min past 2	3
MONDAY	45 min past 2	0 min past 3	3
TUESDAY	17 min past 3	53 min past 3	4
WEDNESDAY	50 min past 3	8 min past 4	4
THURSDAY	23 min past 4	39 min past 4	5
FRIDAY	54 min past 4	11 min past 5	5
SATURDAY, 15.	25 min past 5	16 min past 5	5

In calculating the time of High Water at Chelsea, 35 minutes must be added to that given at London Bridge; 50 minutes must be added for Putney; Hammersmith is one hour later; Barnes, 1 hour and 10 minutes; Kew, 1 hour and 20 minutes; and Richmond, 1 hour and 50 minutes later than London Bridge.

PICTURES FOR THE PRESENT MONTH.

- 13—Alexandra Rowing Club—Paisley, River Lea.
 14—London Rowing Club—Virtue Sculls.
 15—Thames Rowing Club—Fours, Putney to Hammersmith.
 16—Two Rowing Club—Eights, Hammersmith.
 17—Norse Rowing Club—Fours.
 18—Norse Rowing Club—Closing Race.
 19—London Rowing Club—Eights.

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- 4—Alexandra Rowing Club—Junior Sculls.
 23—Alexandra Rowing Club—Fours, River Lea.

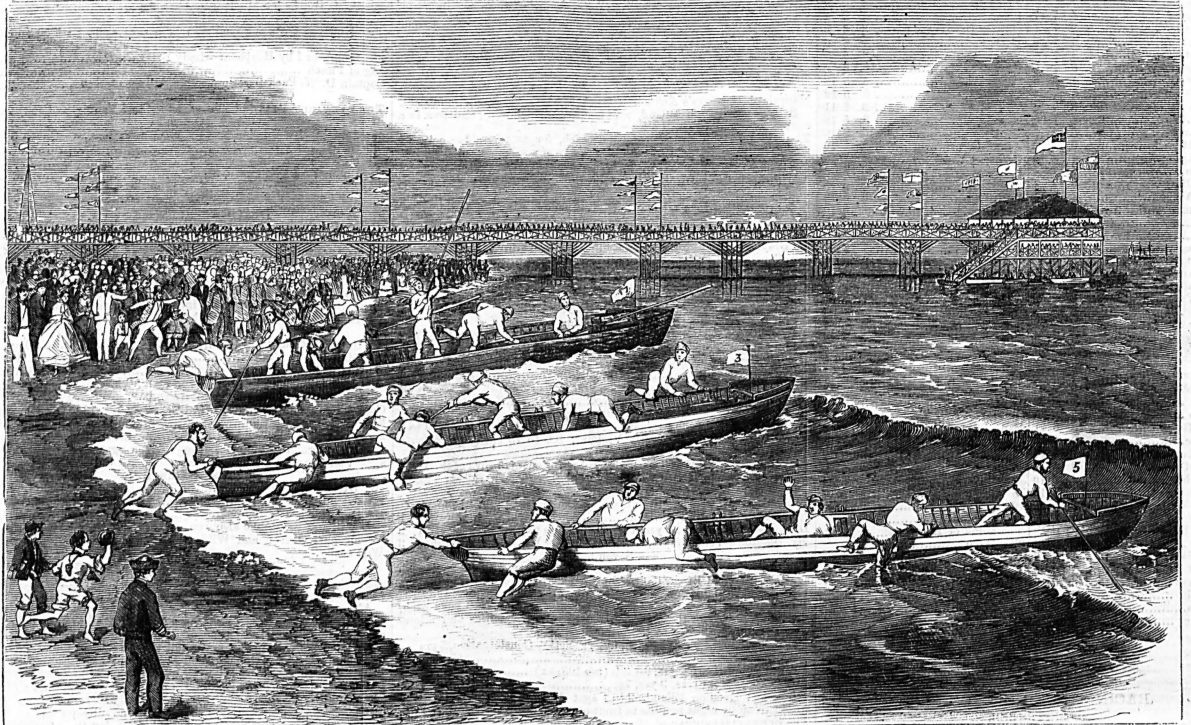
RIVER LEA AMATEUR REGATTA.

This event came off on Saturday and Monday last, under the management of the River Lea Amateur Clubs Committee. The following is a return of the two days' rowing:—

SCULLERS' RACE.

Final Heat.

- J. Arnot (Phoenix Rowing Club)..... 1
 N. Palmer (Phoenix Rowing Club)..... 0
 O. Barber (Albion), and G. Coote (Alexandra Rowing Club) were bouncers. In the only heat necessarily decided the two rowed well together, but a foul taking place Arnot came away and won as he liked.



THE YARMOUTH REGATTA.

In the first heat G. Johnson and W. Fitzgerald, E. Johnson (cox), Alexandra Rowing Club, beat J. M. Bastone and G. Collins, S. Arnot (cox), Phoenix Rowing Club; and in the second A. Head and T. Charles, P. Smith (cox), Halcyn Rowing Club, beat J. W. Willen and J. D. Taylor, W. J. Head (cox), Phoenix Rowing Club. The final heat was to have been rowed on Monday, but owing to some "hitch" it was adjourned by the committee, who reserved to themselves the right of appointing a day for settlement.

OPEN FOURS.

Final Heat.

- London Rowing Club: J. Catty, J. O. Walker, G. Ryan, T. G. Radmull (stroke), J. L. Madden (cox)..... 1
 Phoenix Rowing Club: S. Becknell, J. Ellis, A. J. Whitelaw, G. F. Gibson (stroke), W. Cross (cox)..... 0
 A good race was won by London by half a clear length. The Phoenix beat the Thames Rowing Club's crew in their trial heat.

CLUB FOURS.

- Alexandra Rowing Club: G. Johnson, C. Speyer, E. T. Smith, W. Fitzgerald (stroke), F. Johnson (cox)..... 1
 Phoenix Rowing Club: J. B. Fisher, H. Burton, J. M. Collins, C. Cross (stroke), W. S. Read (cox)..... 0
 A close race to the Point, where the Alexandra came away, and won with comparative ease. The Neptune, Vesper, and Hackney clubs were beaten in the trial heats.

OPEN PAIRS.

Final Heat.

- Phoenix Rowing Club: A. J. Whitelaw, and G. F. Gibson, W. Cross, (cox)..... 1
 London Rowing Club: J. Catty and G. Radmull, J. B. Madden (cox)..... 2
 In this race the Phoenix pair won all the way. The Alexandra Rowing Club boat was distanced through not being at the start in time.

LOCAL TRADESMEN'S RACE.

FOUR.

- Mr. V. Green's Crew (Els)..... 1
 Mr. J. Eaton's Crew (Els)..... 2
 Mr. E. Lehnay's Crew (Els)..... 3
 The rub race, duck hunt, grassy pole, &c., produced the usual amount of fun, and prolonged the sports until a late hour.

CARD SHARPERS AND THEIR VICTIMS.

On Thursday, as the twelve o'clock train to Tynemouth drew up at the Manors Station, there stepped into a second-class compartment, previously containing only three passengers, two foreign sea captains, a well-dressed tradesman, and a young man who appeared to be a puddler or mechanic. The previous occupants were another elderly tradesman, a fresh-looking countryman, and a young man. Last of all stepped in a man who might have been of any occupation, from a comic singer to a pugilist, but who, on close inspection, revealed an expression partaking somewhat of anxiety. He was dressed in a dark shooting-coat and suit, wide-awake, and with short cut hair, pock-marked features, and a restless blue eye. The train had just got through the tunnel, and was going on to the trestle bridge, when the last-mentioned, who had seated himself in the middle of the seat, got out three beautifully designed playing-cards, a king and two rags, and remarked that perhaps the company would like to have a little amusement. This was speedily followed by an explanation that the company were challenged to find where the picture-card lay, when, after a dexterous shuffling, the three lay in a row with their backs upwards. After the ample experience that the public have had of the character of these gentry, it might have been supposed that a card-sharper's cut would be small, but his sagacity in selecting this compartment was very soon evident. The countryman sitting next the door was first tempted to stake, merely "in fun" of course, a sixpence, which he lost; another sixpence, and lost that; then a shilling, and won. The foreigners were watching the game eagerly, and they staked a shilling or two, sometimes losing and sometimes getting a portion of their losses back. Whenever any of them gained this seemed to whet their appetite, and the stake was doubled. The various stages of half crowns, crowns, and half sovereigns were soon run through, and the countryman laid a sovereign, and nervously grasping the card, found a rag. The expression on his face at this moment was something like that left after an extra dose of the best Epsom; but his neighbour, the puddler, thought he had seen the right card, and he could lay a sovereign too. A rag again, and similar facial symptoms. But the foreigners were not to be outdone, and the "banker" would now take no less than a £5 note. The taller of the two, who had won some trifle previously, drew out an extra note and handed it over, the gambler always insisting on being his own stakeholder. The wrong card was picked up, and the right one being pointed out lay next. "Zou I will

they were wet through, and when they were suffering from thirst occasioned by the swallowing of sea spray, which beat into their faces, they saw a vessel gradually appear in sight. As best they could they made for the course she was running, and were within a few hundred yards of her when a contrary current drove them into an altogether opposite direction. Further efforts to get back to land were fruitless. They hoisted handkerchiefs upon their ears, but they were soon blown off. Their thirst became so intense that they began to desire a speedy death by drowning rather than a lingering one by thirst and starvation. Just as night was coming on, however, the brig Catherine, of Whitehaven, John Dougherty, master, from Ireland to Dutton Bay, Cumberland, providentially driven by adverse wind out of her course, crossed their path and took them up. On board of the brig they were most kindly treated, and the master made an effort to land them at Douglas, but the storm would not allow the Catherine to get in. The two tradesmen and the boat were therefore taken on to Dutton Bay, which they reached at about three o'clock on Thursday afternoon. They could eat nothing till nine that morning, but they drank water most greedily. If they had remained one hour longer unobserved they must have gone down, so heavy was the storm on Wednesday night off the Isle of Man. The point at which they were picked up must have been 10 miles from Douglas.

THE POISONING CASE IN NORTHUMBRIA.

Mr. Cockcroft, the coroner for South Northumberland, and a jury brought a protracted inquiry, held in the village of Ponteland, on the Cheviot Chase-road, to a close on Thursday evening. About Christmas last three brothers—John Bushby, George Bushby, and William Bushby, residing at Donkin's-houses, near Ponteland, and carrying on business as farmers, died after protracted and painful illness, and it was subsequently proved by a post-mortem examination of the body of John Bushby, and an analysis of his viscera, that his death had been caused by arsenic. A sister-in-law, who had visited the brothers during their illness, is now completely paralysed from the effects of an illness with which she was seized during her stay, and the other members of the Bushby household seem to have been more or less affected by poison apparently taken with their food. Notwithstanding a very long and patient inquiry, and a careful examination of every

place that had been connected with the family, the coroner and jury have entirely failed in finding any trace of how the poison had got into the food taken by these persons. Some evidence was given on Thursday that an improper intimacy had existed between the housekeeper, Elizabeth Ribley, and William Bushby; but it was also proved that she had been seriously ill, and that she was still suffering from the effects of poison that must have been taken into her system. The jury, after deliberating for an hour and a half—twelve agreeing and three dissenting—returned the following verdict:—"We find that John Bushby died on the 9th of February, 1866, at Donkin's-houses, in the parish of Newburn, from the effects of arsenic, but whether the said arsenic was administered to him intentionally or by accident there is not sufficient evidence to prove."

MAKING HANGING EASY.

The *New York Herald*, describing an execution which recently took place at the Tomb, says that from long experience Mr. Isaacs has ascertained that men standing under the gallows, if their attention is not otherwise directed, will nerve themselves up, and so extend the muscles that it is almost impossible to break their neck, and therefore their sufferings are greatly increased. To avoid this, and upon a truly humane and just principle, he endeavours to attract their attention to something else; and in the case of Fryer, he told him that after he drew the black cap over his face he wanted him (Fryer) to tell him if he could see him nod his head, as that would be the signal for his execution. Of course the prisoner looked, and as the nod was made a signal from the sheriff made the drop come down with a thud, and that was the last of Bernard Fryer upon this earth.

FRIGHTFUL EFFECTS OF BRANDY DRINKING.

An inquiry was held by Mr. Humphreys, coroner, at the Queen Catherine Tavern, Brook-street, Ratcliffe, on Friday week, relative to the death of Mrs. Mary Willey, aged 42 years. Mr. J. H. Willey, licensed victualler, said that he kept the Queen Catherine public-house, and the deceased was his wife. For the last ten years she was very intemperate in her habits, and during the last three weeks she was not an hour sober either night or day. He got in a cask of extra good brandy on account of the cholera visitation, and she used to drink it neat out of pewter pots or half-pint tumblers. He removed the cask from the bar, but nothing could keep her from drinking the brandy. Miss O. Willey said that her mother had not eaten anything

PERILOUS BOATING ADVENTURE.

Two young men who went out from Douglas (Isle of Man) in a row-boat on Wednesday afternoon, and who, as they had not been heard of up to Friday night, were reported lost, have been picked up. They are Messrs. Cousins and Sherwood, boot and shoe manufacturers, of Wolverhampton, in which town they have three places of business. They had very little experience in boating, and when they left Douglas the wind and tide were against them. When they thought they were a mile and a half from the shore they were out three miles, and, after turning the boat's head and rowing towards land, they found that their exertions only slightly impeded the progress of the boat to sea—to which, notwithstanding all their efforts, they were constantly drifting. At six o'clock, when their hands were sorely blistered, when

during the last fortnight; she did not even take a cup of tea; she drank raw brandy perpetually. On Wednesday evening week she took a tumbler of brandy, and being very much intoxicated witness led her up to the club-room, where she lay down on the couch. She cried out for more brandy, and to prevent a disturbance witness gave her a quart, which she swallowed in a moment.—Mr. G. Arnold, M.R.C.S., said that he was called in to the deceased, and found her dead. She died from excessive drinking of ardent spirits without taking food.—The jury returned a verdict "That the deceased was found dead in a certain club-room from the effects of drinking excessive quantities of brandy."

TRAGIC SCENE AT VIENNA.

A tragic scene occurred at Vienna on Tuesday last, at four o'clock in the afternoon, at the canal of the Danube, near the Aspern Bridge. A woman, modestly dressed, suddenly threw herself from the quay into the water. A man, who at the same moment was bathing his Newfoundland dog in the canal, threw a stone in the direction where the woman had just disappeared. Meantime the latter, owing to the inflation of her garments, rose several times to the surface of the water. The dog caught hold of her while she was thus floating, and tried to bring her to the shore. But she was determined to destroy her life, and she dragged the dog down with her. Among the crowd, which was horror-stricken at the sight of this terrible struggle between life and death, was a soldier of the police, who courageously plunged into the water to the help of the unhappy woman. Scarcely had he seized her than he was likewise carried away by her to the bottom of the water, and in a few seconds the woman, the soldier, and the dog had disappeared in the canal, never to rise again.

MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE OF A GERMAN.

On Friday an inquest was held in John-street, Limehouse, on the body of a German named John Pope, aged 28 years. On Saturday week the sister of deceased received from him a letter, of which the following is a translation:—"I, St. John-street, Westminster. My dear Mary,—I tell you that I leave London in one hour. Go, the first day you can, to my landlord and get my things, and pay him 3s. Go

personally ploughed and planted many acres of land, would have laughed to see the party so informing him. Such, however, is literally the case. We learnt the facts from a gentleman residing in the vicinity. The smoking ruins of the farm upon which these young people resided had scarcely cooled when the neighbours clubbed together built them a log-house, and extemporized a sort of barn. Horses were loaned to them, and the girls with their own hands ploughed the ground and seeded it with corn. The crop grew apace, and with their own hands they harvested it. They sold it to great advantage. They had owned 47 negro slaves. Some of these went into the Union army, others deserted the locality. The girls were left alone to battle with the vicissitudes of the war. Our informant, whose respectability is beyond a question, says that these girls produced by their own work in the field more decided and productive results than were accomplished by the entire gang of slaves. They toiled for three years, and now they have a comfortable home and most substantial barns upon their property, while improvements have been made upon it to an extent that makes it of considerably more value than before the torch of conflicting armies reduced its building to ashes. One of the young ladies has since married, but the others still do duty as their own "oversers," and they themselves purchased yesterday and directed the shipment of the agricultural implements to which we have above referred. The wonder to the dealer was that a lady, delicately gloved and attired as though she had never overstepped the bounds of the boudoir, should decant experimentally and intelligently upon the respective merits of the different reaping machines, and upon the comparative values of the different patents for threshing out the cereals. These young ladies were educated in Philadelphia, and are well known to many of our best people.—Philadelphia North American.

A WIFE-BEATING "PREACHER."

Last week William Wilson, a man who has recently been preaching in the Market-place during the evenings, was brought before the high bailiff of Douglas charged with beating his wife with a horse-whip and disturbing the peace one evening during the week. It appeared that his wife had been separated from him for a number of years. He was married to her in 1854. He had been a soldier in the Crimean war; but his wife (whom he had married when very young) had not

the South-Eastern system. The various booking-offices and waiting-rooms are replete with accommodation, and it is stated that ample arrangements have been made for the reception of about 20,000,000 passengers yearly. The traffic between Charing-cross and Cannon-street may fairly be relied upon as a very large one, provided only the provisions of the company are kept, that the trains shall run very frequently, and that the time occupied in the journey shall not be more than five minutes. Both as regards time and expense, therefore, locomotion from Charing-cross to the City by train ought to compare favourably with that by bus. Of the three lines of rails in the Charing-cross branch one was designed exclusively for the local traffic, and the plan of working the line was arranged to be with trains backward and forward, like the shuttle in a loom. Such was the arrangement, but the performance on Saturday afforded a singular contrast to this regularity, order, and speed. During nearly the whole of the day the line was all but completely blocked, and this irregularity applied not merely to the local trains, but to the whole business of the line. A further addition to the South-Eastern system was made on the same day by the opening of the Dartford loop line of the North Kent Railway, giving accommodation to Lee, Eltham, Sidcup, Bexley, Crayford, and adjacent districts.

THE LADY AND HER DRESSMAKER.

The Civil Court of Paris has been called on to decide a disputed question between a lady and her dressmaker. Madame Idaroff, wife of a councillor of the Court of St. Petersburg, ordered in December last from Madame Gautier, of the Rue de la Paix, a dress and mantle which were to be ready for Christmas-day. They were not, however, sent in until the end of January, and Madame Idaroff, who was then leaving for Nice, refused to accept them; but on her return to Paris, and while staying at the Grand Hotel, Madame Gautier put in an execution on the Russian lady's effects, in order to obtain payment of 600*fr.* the price of the two articles. Madame Idaroff deposited, under protest, that sum with the officer who had made the seizure, and applied to justice to have the amount returned to her. The court, however, decided that there was no proof that Madame Gautier had engaged to deliver the goods by Christmas-day, and that the delay was



GOING TO THE YARMOUTH RACES.

to my workshop and tell them to sell my tools, and give you the money. Go to Mr. —, East-road, City-road, and tell him, and he will give you 1*lb.* out of the bank. In the pocket of my coat you will find all my pawntickets. Sell them or get the things out just as you like. And now, Mary, farewell for ever. Your affectionate brother, John Pope." It was said that deceased's mind was disturbed by hearing that his father had married a third wife in Germany. He had threatened his father in consequence. His body was found in the Thames on Wednesday last, with only a pair of boots on. All the rest of his clothes were found in a bundle at Plumstead Marshes on Saturday last. The jury returned a verdict of "Suicide while in a state of unsound mind."

THE GOOSE AND THE PRECENCOR—STRANGE SCENE IN A CHURCH.

A correspondent of the *Oceanian* vouches for the truth of the following:—A few Sabbath ago, while a minister was conducting public worship in one of the West Mainland churches, the service was interrupted by the entrance of a goose. The pews had just been given notice, and the congregation were beginning to sing, when the circumstance attracted the attention of the precencor, who so far forgot himself that he lost the tune. During the silence which consequently intervened the minister whispered to one of the office bearers to put out the goose. The office-bearer, being ignorant of the presence of a *live* animal of the species, thought it was the presence of a *dead* animal, and laid hold of him with the intention of executing his instructions, which he would have done, our correspondent adds, had the precencor not made a powerful resistance!

WHAT AMERICAN LADIES ARE CAPABLE OF.
Among the strangers in Philadelphia at this moment are two ladies from Martinsburg, West Virginia. Yesterday they were purchasing a used mill, a moving machine, and other agricultural implements, whose cost in the aggregate was about 500 dollars. Their home was very close to the theatre of the late war, between the two contending armies their houses and barns were burnt, their horses and cattle driven off, their only brother conscripted into the Southern army, and themselves left entirely destitute and homeless. Any one who, seeing a young lady such as we saw yesterday, had been told that she had

heard of him for many years. She had, however, married again. The prisoner (who was in an excited state) met her one evening lately, and beat her with a whip in the Market-place, which act tended to disturb the public peace. Wilson's wife, feeling no doubt the odour of "the old love which dieth not," was unwilling to press the charge against him, and consequently he was fined only for disturbing the peace.—*Mercury Herald.*

A HEARTRENDING RECOGNITION.

On Friday, last week, a young woman was found lying insensible on Woolwich common, apparently in a state of extreme destitution, and on being conveyed to the casual ward received proper attention from Dr. Stuart, the divisional police surgeon, and the parish medical officer, Mr. Purland, but it was found that the sufferer was so affected by disease, want, and exposure, that there was no hope of her recovery, and after lingering a few hours she expired. A woman who lived near was sent for to lay out the body, which she no sooner saw than she became deeply affected, and said, "Oh! it is my own daughter." It then transpired that the deceased had left home about four months ago, and had since been leading an irregular life.

A DISAPPOINTED BRIDEGROOM.

On Saturday last a couple, with their required attendants, presented themselves before the registrar at Wrexham, for the purpose of being joined in the holy bonds of wedlock. The banns having been duly published in the parish church, the ceremony being about to commence, the registrar took stock of the happy couple and had no difficulty in at once recognising the female to be the wife of a well-known character called Della Wynn, the latter being alive at the present moment. As a matter of course the ceremony was at once abandoned, and the intending bridegroom remarking that they were too well known in the town, bounded out of the room determining, as he said, to try elsewhere.—*Cheshire Chronicle.*

OPENING OF THE CANNON STREET STATION.

An event which has been long and anxiously looked for by proprietors of the South-Eastern Railway took place on Saturday, viz., the opening of the Cannon-street Extension, providing a communication with Charing-cross and London-bridge, and through it with the whole of

to be attributed rather to the mercer who was to furnish the trimmings for the mantle than to the dressmaker. Madame Idaroff was consequently non-suited and condemned to pay the costs.

AN ACTOR IN TROUBLE.

The *Nouvellete* of Rouen relates that as the performance of the "Vieux Garçons," at the theatre of Dieppe was about to commence, a few evenings back, a gendarme arrived to arrest an actor named Deschamps, who fills the part of lover, for neglecting to present himself to fulfill his military duties, for neglecting to present himself to fulfill his military duties, for neglecting to present himself to fulfill his military duties. The director was about to return the money to the audience when the actor obtained permission to play his part that evening, promising to give himself up on the following morning. M. Deschamps appears, however, to have no mind to give up his military duties, for he no sooner ended his duties at the theatre than he hastened to the railway and started for Paris. He was, however, stopped at one of the intermediate stations by a telegraphic despatch and sent back to Dieppe under arrest. The ladies of the casino have since opened a subscription to purchase a substitute for him.

A DOG STORY.

A gentleman in New Haven recently erected on Chapel-street, near the colleges, a large and beautiful residence, and adorned the grounds with more than ordinary taste and expense. Among other ornaments, not far from the street he placed a large cast-iron statue of a dog, whose belligerent appearance and defiant attitude made him look as large as life and twice as ugly. For weeks afterwards the little dogs, on passing by the house, never failed to give the statue a complimentary bark and growl, which, however, never disturbed its equanimity. But one day a big old Towzer from the country was following his master's mark-wagon into town, and happened to spy the hostile form of the cast-iron dog. A preliminary growl and how-wow produced no effect. Surly and defiant his enemy continued to gaze at him. Canine nature could stand it no longer. One leap over the fence brought him into the yard, and two or three more carried him to his mute antagonist. Quicker than thought he attempted to fasten his teeth on the cast-iron chops of the statue, but the next moment gave up the contest. The last that was seen of that dog he was sneaking out of the yard with his tail between his legs, the most complete and soiled specimen of canine society we ever witnessed.—*American Paper.*

EVENTS OF THE WEEK.

The old Atlantic cable has been recovered, and from the point where the splice was made the Great Eastern has paid out 24 miles of new cable, and was last evening distant only 492 miles from her destination—Heart's Content.

In the last five years no less than 933,016 lb. of meat have been condemned in the City markets as unfit for human food—viz., 79,679 lb. in Aldgate market, 146,816 lb. in Leadenhall market, and 712,508 lb. in Newgate market; 385,000 lb. consisted of good meat that had become putrid; there were 505,000 lb. of diseased meat, and 49,000 lb. of the flesh of animals that had died from natural causes or from disease.

The missing body of John Dann, one of the four youths drowned while bathing at Brighton last week, was picked up on Monday morning, at Roedean, midway between Brighton and Rottingdean village. Mr. Dann lost two sons in this sad fatality.

The "weekly" return of deaths issued by the Registrar-General on Tuesday up to the 1st inst. shows a very satisfactory decrease in the number of deaths from the prevailing epidemic. The deaths from cholera during each of the last five weeks have been 1,053, 781, 456, 293, and 199; and from cholera and diarrhoea together, 1,407, 1,016, 619, 394, and 326. Divided into districts, the 198 deaths from cholera in last week were distributed as follows:—West, 6; north, 15; central, 9; east, 122; and south, 46.

A torchlight meeting was held on Monday evening, on Clerkenwell-green, for the purpose of denouncing the conduct of Mr. Eyre in Jamaica, and protesting against the sentiments expressed by those who attended the banquet given to that gentleman at Southampton.

An additional cable to the Continent is about being laid by Reuter's Telegram Company (Limited). The Caroline screw steamer has towed from Lowestoft ten smacks which are to be moored as flagships. The cable will be laid between Lowestoft, Ness Point, and Nordley Island, Hanover.

In consequence of the damage done to the statues of Hampden and Lord Clarendon, by visitors privileged with the Lord Chamberlain's order to visit the Houses of Parliament, extra police are now stationed in St. Stephen's Hall to prevent a repetition of these wanton acts. These statues are both seriously damaged.

The Bishop of London appears to be making a round of visits to the cholera stricken districts of East London, and on Monday was at Ratcliff-highway. His lordship's object seems to be to induce the different relief committees to act on some uniform, or as little varied, system as possible, in the relief to be afforded to widows, orphans, and school-children.

As an experiment, Hyde Park has been lighted up nightly with the time light, affixed to a temporary tower in the centre of the park.

Queen Emma was recently visited at Washington by a delegation of Indians in full costume, with their wives and peo-les.

A spurious Tennyson has appeared in London. He is so like him that he has already been forced to part with several locks of hair, as the ladies who are fond of "their looms" would take no denial, and believed the double of Tennyson was the real man, and only endeavouring to escape detection. He is a chessmonger of Cheshire.

Churchill, county Donegal, has been visited by a dreadful thunderstorm. The crops suffered severely. The daffodil has been swept out of the dunes and off the spread, and carried away by the floods in all directions. Whole fields of potatoes and corn, and even large trees, have been totally carried away. Rocks have been rent in pieces, and some of them a ton weight were whirled along by the torrents.

A small boat, of the name of the Woolwich and Watermen Company's steamer, one of the men disappeared immediately, and the other drifted with the tide under one of the paddle-wheels of the steamer, neither of them being afterwards seen.

A new club is about to be established in London under the title of "M. M." The new club is intended for the exclusive use of men of mind, and hence it has been modestly christened the "M. M." The promoters will doubtless publish the names of the first batch of men of mind.

Three assemblages of "unfortunate" women were lately held in different parts of London, at midnight, by the promoters of this move for advising the members of that class whom it is sought to benefit to an abandonment of their disgraceful mode of life. The result has been that 10 poor girls have been sent to homes, and otherwise disposed of. One of the meetings was held at Newington-canvey, 25 attended. The second took place at Knightsbridge, and 26 came. The last was in Regent-street, when 165 were present.

No fewer than 65,000 horses are said to be required for the French army.

The *Globe* of St. Petersburg expresses its apprehension that the war, which is scarcely over in the centre of Europe, will break out with fury in the south-west, to the great disappointment of those who believe in the durability of peace amongst civilised nations.

Mrs. Jefferson Davis writes to a friend with reference to the health of her husband:—"Mr. Davis is slowly but surely wasting away, and I look forward to his Maker's release, if man does not soon afford him one."

The Vienna correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* says that Prince Tuck is promoted to the rank of major, unattached. The husband of our princess is a general favourite, and is to be seen everywhere with his fair bride. The happy pair have taken a charming villa at Lissing, near Vienna, where they are giving a series of receptions to their many friends.

A few days since insurances were effected at Lloyd's on the old Atlantic cable at 55 guineas per cent. The underwriters in some cases paid a loss of 70 per cent. on the shares of the original shareholders, retaining their interest; and in some instances they paid a total loss and received the shares.

Robert Harris, who made such curious disclosures in his evidence before the Tontine Evidence Commission last week, mentioned among other things that "he had now a situation at Cambridge." "It appears," says the *Pall Mall Gazette*, "that this active electing agent has been engaged for a month past in conducting the Conservative registration at Cambridge, but has had to resign that office since the publication of his evidence."

Cardinal Cullen has addressed a letter to all the Roman Catholic Bishops of Ireland, calling upon them to appoint the 9th of September as a day on which, simultaneously, they will offer prayer for the Pontiff in his present distressing situation.

The Metropolitan and Provincial Working Classes Exhibition was formally opened on Monday afternoon, at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, by Mr. R. C. Haubury, M.P. for Middlesex. The number of exhibitors is 1,600, above one-third of whom are from the provinces.

According to the *Pall Mall Gazette*, the members of a court-martial to try certain military officers charged with excessive severity in the suppression of the Jamaica disturbances, sailed from Southampton on Tuesday.

The Manchester papers report the discovery of serious defalcations on the part of William Noar, the Treasurer of the Borough of Salford. An at present ascendant, the deficiency considerably exceeds £1,000.

Two curious sales by auction are advertised in Paris. One is to consist of brutes having belonged to various distinguished characters, and the second of newspaper bands, of which the most ancient bears the date of 1699.

The grand national Eisteddfod was opened on Tuesday, at Chester, under the presidency of Sir W. W. Wynne, Bart., M.P. They are to be continued during the week.

The Commercial-road station of the Greenwich railway was on Tuesday the scene of a rather serious accident. It appears that, in consequence of some mismanagement of the signals, an engine was allowed to proceed on the bricklayers' Arms siding, and it ran into a passenger train proceeding to Greenwich. We are glad to learn that no fatal consequences resulted, and that the other traffic of the line was not stopped.

A great Reform banquet is to be held at Manchester in October. Earl Russell, Messrs. Gladstone and Bright, and other great reformers are to be present.

An enormous fish called a *murponna* has been taken at Marseilles, and will be preserved alive in the basin for the Great Exhibition. It is between five and six metres long, and weighs 30 quintals (a quintal is 100 lb.).

Leeds has a population of 228,187 persons, and besides beer-houses, has 380 public-houses.

During the month of August last 10,451 emigrants left the port of Liverpool. On an average 50,000 persons arrive at and depart from the Bridge Wharf, Glasgow, each day.

The population of Prussia, with the territories she is about to annex, will be 28,810,713.

It was exactly 200 years ago on Sunday last since the outbreak of the Great Fire of London.

A pike, weighing nine pounds and a-half, was recently found in the river Exe, and on its belly being opened a piece of lead ore, weighing one pound and a-half, was found.

Mr. Bright having accepted the invitation of the Reformers of Dublin to a public banquet on October, arrangements are being made to give the occasion as much political significance as possible. The largest theatre of the city will, it is supposed, be obtained for the holding of the reception dinner.

At the lowest calculation, the victims of the late short and bloody war are reckoned at no less than 20,000 or 24,000 killed on the spot, or since the outbreak of the war, to which may probably be added an equal number of both parties who have died from illness—chiefly the cholera.

In the settlements of the far West, where as yet there are but few women, lucky suitors find that they cannot be too watchful. What a picture of anxious love defending its object against a siege of importunities is brought before the mind by the following advertisement which we take from a Western paper:—"Engaged—Miss Anna Gould to John Caudal, City Marshal, both of Leavenworth, Kansas. From this time hereafter and for ever—until Miss Anna Gould becomes a widow—all young men are requested to withdraw their particular attention."

The proportion of Germans who are seized with cholera in the American cities is greater than that of persons descended from any other race. The American cities now suffering from cholera are New York, Philadelphia, Richmond, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, and New Orleans.

The bosses in the roof of the nave of Westminster Abbey are being cleaned and re-gilt.

The British Museum was closed on Saturday for the annual cleaning of that establishment, and will be opened on Saturday next.

The Earl of Craven, who lately died at Scarborough, was one of the knights at the English Tournament, and appeared there in a suit of armour which his ancestor wore at the battle of Agincourt.

Rumour has been full of a project of an alliance between the Prince Imperial of France and the Princess Charlotte of Prussia, daughter of the Crown Prince. When we find that the age of the gentleman is under eleven, while the lady has only just entered upon her sixteenth year, we do not require any very special official information to enable us to characterise the statement as a most premature one.

The *Orpheus* states that hot-beds fruit is being used in America as a substitute for bonquets when an actress is called before the curtain.

Australian sovereigns are now received here in considerable quantities, and are likely to continue to arrive. They are a legal tender in this country, precisely the same as those of the London Mint, and no one can properly refuse to accept them to pay for goods or in discharge of any debt.

A new Liberal Catholic newspaper is announced to appear to-day, under the title of the *Universal Express*.

Thomas Grime was hung at Liverpool on Saturday morning, for the murder of James Barton near Wigan. Nearly 500 persons were present at the execution. Grime seems to have been fully resigned.

The floods in the North Riding have caused a deplorable loss of property, whole crops of stock-corn have been washed away.

A cheese has been made at Toronto, which measures 6 feet 8 inches in breadth and 3 feet in thickness; the milk used in its manufacture weighed 35 tons, and was furnished by 800 cows; the weight of the cheese itself is 24 tons.

Sir A. C. Weldon's sister, a young lady, lost her life while driving in the neighbourhood of Mountrath, Ireland, owing to the animal attached to the vehicle in which she was seated running away with and finally upsetting the vehicle. She survived the injuries she thus received but a few hours.

The *John Bull* says that a party of roughs attempted to mob the Bishop of Chester, after evening service at St. Martin's Church, Liverpool. An endeavour was made to break the windows of the carriage, in which he was sitting with three ladies, the most insulting language being made use of towards him, the most insulting presumption to preach in a church which the "Protestants" of Liverpool had designated a Puseyite one. "Down with the Puseyite Bishop" and other like cries, were very freely indulged in. The demonstration was, however, a miserable failure, and was quickly put an end to by the police.

A sharp and rather severe storm of thunder, lightning and rain, accompanied by hail, passed over the metropolis about five o'clock on Sunday afternoon.

The progress of metropolitan railway extension received some marked additions on Saturday last. The Cannon-street station of the South-Eastern Railway, by means of which traffic from the Continent can be brought into the very heart of the City, was opened for public traffic. The Bedford loop of the North Midland Railway was also opened, affording accommodation to Lee, Eltham, Sidcup, Duxley, Crayford, and adjacent districts. The City extension line between Willesden and Broad-street, affording improved communication for traffic between Kensington, Chelsea, Chiswick Junction, Crystal Palace, and Croydon, and all parts of the London and North-Western line, was also opened.

The *Independence Belge* states that the Emperor Napoleon is at this moment collecting materials for the history of Chamberlain, which will be published after "Vie de César."

An Irishman, named Timothy Murphy, murdered a fellow-countryman, named Sullivan, in Rosemary-lane, London, on Saturday night. Both men were returned to their native country, and were heard to say that they had a knife, and would murder the other man. Some time afterwards they renewed the quarrel in a passage leading to the house where they both lived, and Murphy stabbed Sullivan to the heart. Murphy was apprehended, and was laughing and whistling in his cell during the whole of Sunday.

The *Spectator* says that a very distinguished Anglo-Indian, who had just returned to his place, after a short holiday in England, had been asked one day what fresh impressions the English life had made upon him, and replied, "Oh, there is nothing new to me here, but under ground railways and having your hair brushed by machinery."

POLICE NEWS.

A PROFLIGATE TRADESMAN.—At the Lambeth Police-court on Tuesday, John Haughton, a married man and a white-smith, appeared before Mr. Elliott, in discharge of his recognizances, to be further examined on the charge of violating the person of Christian Eech, a German, aged 29, in the family of Mr. Schrowder, residing on Denmark-lane. The prosecution was conducted by the police, and the prisoner was sent out of town, and the prisoner is one of a number of workmen employed in doing some necessary repairs. The complainant said that on the evening of that day week, the prisoner came to the kitchen, and with violence committed the offence charged. In answer to questions as to why she had not called the police, she said that she was out of town, and the prisoner was one of a number of workmen employed in doing some necessary repairs. The complainant said that on the evening of that day week, the prisoner came to the kitchen, and with violence committed the offence charged. 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GOING TO THE MOORS.

ANGLING.

[Secretaries of societies and fishermen of whatever taste or peculiarity, are respectfully requested to forward contributions concerning the prospects of their localities, and any interesting information relative to this delightful branch of sport. Contributions on Rowing and Swimming receive every attention at our hands.]

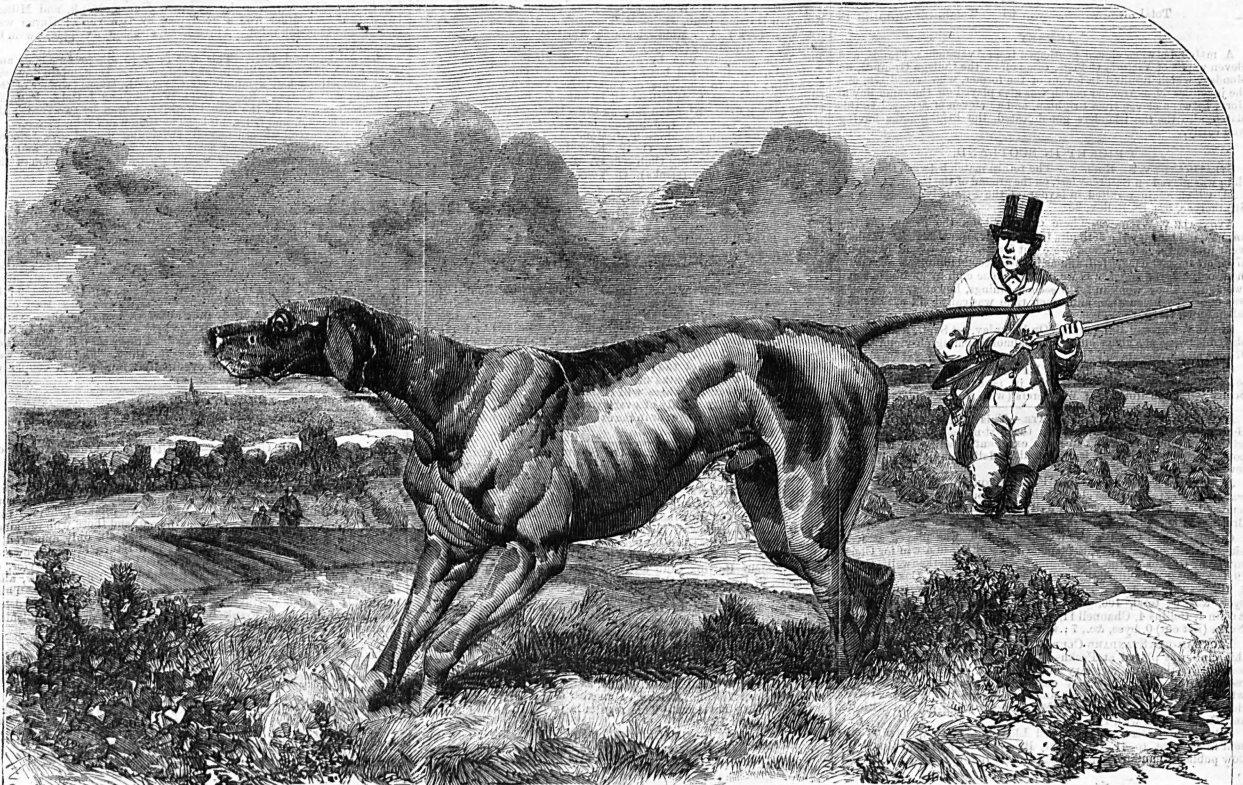
CLOSE OF THE SALMON FISHERIES.—On Saturday last, salmon fishing for the present year in the English rivers, except with the rod and line, ceased. The "fence" time will last up to February 1, 1867, until which day it will be unlawful to take salmon by means of nets, traps, or other engines. There is, however, an exception in favour of rod-fishing up to November 1. The fish, however, except the botcher or

grilse, are already declining in condition, and the females becoming heavy in spawn, and the propriety of continuing the rod fishing to so late a season has been much questioned. The results of the past season's fishings on some of the principal rivers in England are reported as most satisfactory. On the river Severn, one of the most important salmon rivers of the kingdom, there has been a remarkable increase in the take of fish, which may be fairly credited to the operation of the new salmon fishery laws, whereby protection has been afforded to the fish during the season of reproduction. The fishermen all along the banks of the Severn state that they never knew so large a supply from that river as in the present year, and the high price of meat having increased the demand, their profits have been very satisfactory. The price has latterly ranged from 10d. to 1s. 2d. per pound.

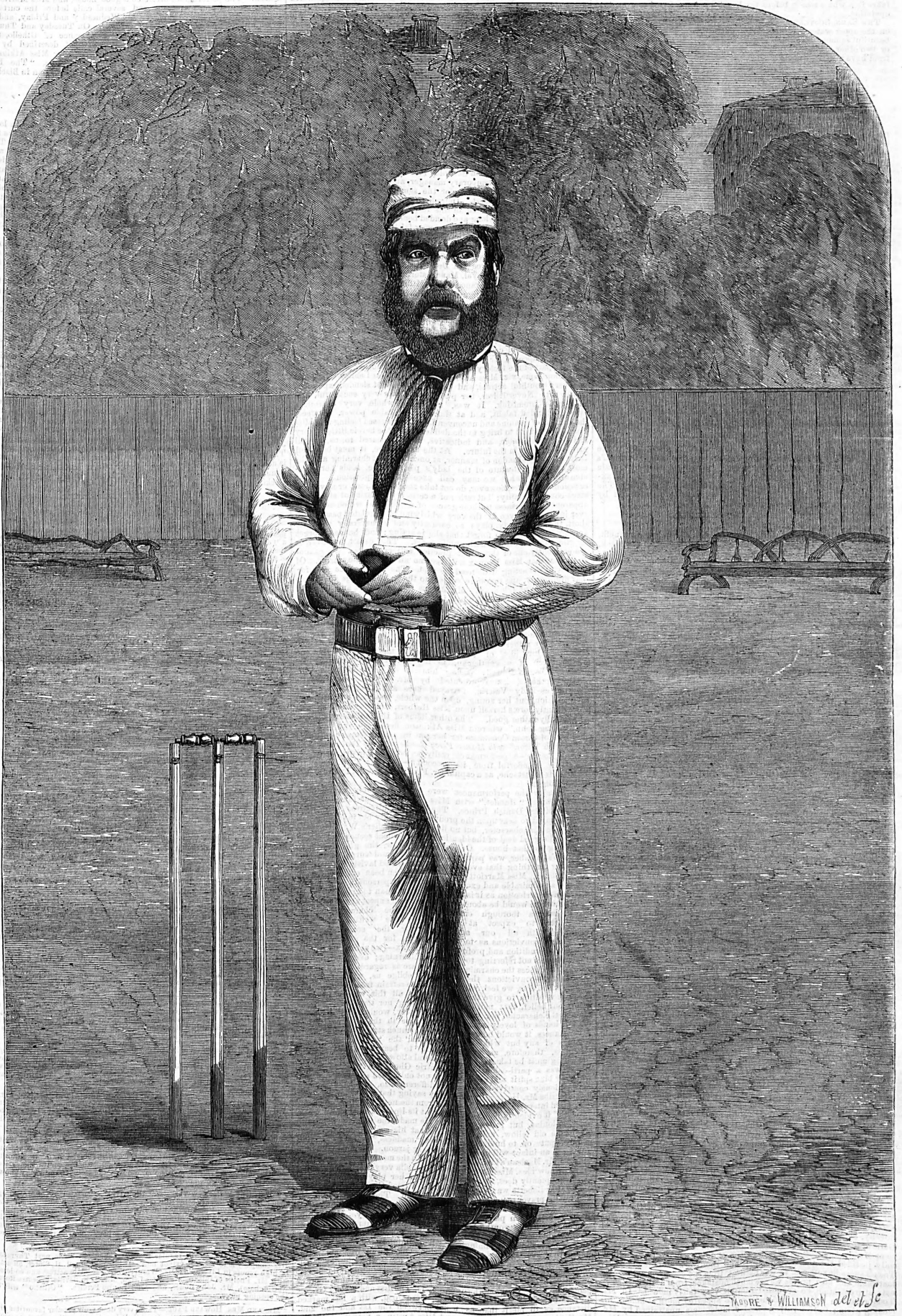
GALWAY FISHERY, IRELAND.—Three ladies have caught and killed

this season nearly one hundred salmon, and the anglers have killed 2,400 fish. It is quite wonderful to see the quantity of fish in the river; a few days since it was estimated by a gentleman, a good judge of such matters, that there were at least 2,000 of them in a space of about 300 yards, all alive and in view. By this time they are all in the upper waters, for the nets have not caught them. It is hoped that some of them will get up into Lough Mask through the ladder which is just finished.

SALMON FISHING IN CUMBERLAND.—The net-fishing season for salmon, which closed on Friday, last week, has been in Cumberland the most successful since the passing of the Salmon Fisheries Act. The spring was not very remarkable, but the summer months proved most productive, the takes of salmon, grilse, and salmon trout, particularly of grilse, having been very great. The quantity of fish captured in the poke nets and half-nets in the Solway Firth was on some occasions



THE FIRST OF SEPTEMBER.



JOHN WISDEN, THE CELEBRATED BOWLER. (From a Photograph by Messrs. McLean and Hess, 26, Haymarket.)

MR. AND MRS. HOWARD PAUL.—Those very deservedly popular favourites gave a farewell entertainment at the Crystal Palace this day (Saturday), previous to their departure for America.

Upon this condition the prisoners were discharged.

PEDESTRIANISM.

MATCHES TO COME.
SEPTEMBER.

- 10—Smalley and Thompson—to walk 10 miles, 210 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham.
- 10—Chune and Jones—200 yards, 210 a side, Shrewsbury.
- 10—Hill and Garington—100 yards, 25 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham.
- 10—Wood and Hodgkiss—100 yards, 210 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Tipton.
- 10—Dudley and Hodge—100 yards, 210 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Tipton.
- 10—Booth and Woodcock—100 yards, 25 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Tipton.
- 10—Clarke and Workman—300 yards, 210 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham.
- 10—Hill and Morris—100 yards, 25 a side, Morris with two yards start, Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham.
- 10—Jones and Kelley—150 yards, 25 a side, Strawberry Hotel Grounds, Liverpool.
- 10, 11—Mr. Westley's All England 120 Yards Handicap, 210, Westley's Grounds, Hall Green, Wednesday.
- 10, 11—Mr. J. Harding's 150 Yards, Novice Handicap, 45, Lea Brook Grounds, Wednesday.

HACKNEY WICK.

A ONE MILE WALKING SWEEPSTAKES.—There was a large attendance at the grounds at Hackney Wick on Saturday, to witness a walking match of one mile between four salesmen of the market who entered into a sweepstakes of £2 each, the winner to take the £8. The competitors were Messrs. Mark Chorley, George Lear, T. Burrows, and W. Hopwood, jun. Chorley was the favourite, and Hopwood was the next in call, the knights of the cleaver investing their money most liberally. The result of the race was never in doubt, for Chorley, who walked in very fair style, took the lead from the first, was never afterwards caught, and won very easily. T. Burrows was second (also going in good style); Hopwood was third; G. Lear did not go the distance. Mr. Hopwood was the starter, and Mr. J. C. Baum, the proprietor of the grounds, acted as referee. The time of the winner for the mile was 9 min 33 sec—not bad for an amateur weighing 17st. The grounds are of excellent order, special arrangements having been made for the Great St. Leger Walking Handicap, in which Topley, Stockwell, Miles, and Davison contend.

GREAT ST. LEGER WALKING HANDICAP OF SEVEN MILES.—There was a very large concourse of people at Mr. J. C. Baum's grounds on Monday to witness the walking Handicap of Seven Miles, for which, out of the large entry, only four paid their entrance of £5 each, which, with the £40 added, made the prizes worth contending for—namely, £50 for the first and £10 for the second. G. Topley, the champion, was put at scratch; H. Stockwell was allowed a start of a minute; Miles, the one-and-a-half mile champion, a minute and a half; and G. Davison (of Hoxton), three minutes and a half. The last-named has only figured in minor events, yet it was nevertheless supposed from his style that he would prove as our Yankee cousins have it, "a rough dog under the wagon," and not easy to beat. A little after six o'clock the pace came on the ground, Topley escorted by Jack Smith, his monitor, and Bill Pearce, celebrated in trotting circles, for his attendant. George was in good form, his eye being bright, and his skin clear and ruddy. Jim Miles next showed, a couple of friends only waiting upon him, though, as it afterwards turned out, he did not require even their assistance. His appearance did not denote hard work, and as Davison, accompanied by Sam Shepherd, followed him into the enclosure, he at once became the observed of the company. Unlike most of our crack dogs, he is tall and large boned; and, in fact, taking the present "run" of pedestrians as a criterion, unlike a foot-racer. At twenty minutes past six, Bill Pearce, who had started Davison, who was away with a very short jockey stride for so long-legged a man. At the end of two and a half minutes, Miles was told to "go," and this he did at a strong pace and in such a style as was evidently appreciated, for when he rounded the turn near the house there were loud and hearty cheers raised for him. He covered a lap in the minute given, and then Topley "winked away" and at the bottom of the next lap, he was two yards on Miles, with whom he started the lap. In the sixth journey round Topley had got within seventy yards of Miles, who shortly walked slowly, and hid his hand on his side as though "a stitch" pained him. Presently Topley came alongside him, and then Jim made it a spur, and he, however, like the foot-racer, never gave up. He did away after a few yards, and at the end of the eighth lap gave up, much to the disgust of his admirers, who were numerous. Davison and Topley now had the race to themselves, the former going with his head and arms well up, but still short and stilly. Topley was every now and then again ground at, then hissing; some telling him to "wink away," and "put that back for once, George." He, however, silently continued his course in his usual style, about which there are so many opinions, and gained slightly every lap on his adversary, who, if not remarkably fast, is certainly of good "stayer." In the twenty-fourth lap Topley had rubbed off the start, had 200 yards; in the twenty-eighth both went down the same straight, and in the thirty-third he was only a dozen paces to the lead. Half way through the next lap Davison was reached, and then Topley slackened a little and strode along a yard behind his opponent, amidst shouts of "He's walking now." At the close of the sixty-seventh lap he went to the front, and gradually increasing his lead, won by 1 min 19 sec—nearly a lap. The full time occupied by Topley was 55 min 30 sec. He accomplished the first mile in 7 min 20 sec, and covered four miles in 30 min 25 sec. Davison's gameness was greatly cheered, and if supporters could see him, the day they had to witness a single-lap race. We shall undoubtedly hear of him again, and when pitted against a more even match no doubt he will be stimulated to make still greater efforts to gain a victory. Betting was at even, and in some cases 6 to 4 was laid on Topley, and 2 to 1 against Davison.

A one-mile walking match between four Whitechapel market salesmen, who had just closed their stakes, attracted a large number of "East-enders" to the "Wick" on Saturday. The pedestrians were T. Burrows, George Lear, Mark Chorley, and W. Hopwood, jun. Chorley was favourite, and he fully realised the confidence of his backers, by going off with his head well up, and winning the race very easily. The time, 9 min 33 sec. The winner turns the scale at 17st. Mr. Baum was referee.

Banks's Handicaps.—A handsome silver hunting top watch will be given for a 250 Yards Handicap at Hackney Wick, on Sept. 17; money prizes for second and third. Entrance 1s, acceptance 1s. Also a valuable timepiece for a Two Mile Walking Handicap, for veterans, Entrance, 2s, 6d.—And a gold ring will be given for novices, 80 yards, Entrance free, to be made at Fitzgerald's, 58, Blackfriars-road; or at the grounds.

BROMPTON.

TWO MILE WALKING MATCH.—On Saturday a match to walk two miles for £15 a side, came off at West London Johnny Day, (the Australian), and J. Jobbins of Fulham, Jobbins having his opponent a start of two minutes. At the word "Off," Day went away in fine style, and did the first lap in 1 min 45 sec accomplishing about 500 yards in the time given. The first mile was finished by Day in 7 min 30 sec, Jobbins's time being 8 min 17 sec. The issue of the race was never in doubt, for Young Day, who was from first to last, won very easily by nearly a lap, the time of the two miles being 15 min 26 sec. M. E. Jones acted as referee.

Mr. Jones's seven mile handicap will take place at the West London Grounds, Brompton, on Monday, Sept. 17. Entrance 1s, will close on this day, Saturday; no acceptances.

Messrs. F. Oliver and Young Kells held their benefit at the West London Cricket ground on Monday, and saw an excellent sport took place. The first event was a 150 yards handicap for a fine silver cup, the numerous entries being divided into three heats, all of which were walked over. The final heat was won by Isaacs, after a close heat with Johnson, by half a yard. Harry Andrews acted as referee, and Howden as starter.

The second event was a one-mile race. Seven competitors started, Messrs. T. Howden, 50 yards start, H. Andrews, 0, Donelson, 180, Johnson, 150, Markham, 80, Isaacs, 150, Howden's Novice, 150. Isaacs made the running for nearly three quarters of a mile, when he was passed by Howden, who won by a yard and a half. 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